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EARTHQUAKE DISASTER APPALS COUNTRY

Death List of Italian Calamity Grows.

IN REGGIO AND MESSINA

One Hundred and Ten Thousand People Perished.

MORE DEATHS WILL OCCUR

Thousands of the Injured Are Expected to Succumb.

Rome, Dec. 31.—The immensity of the disaster in Southern Italy and Sicily can only be measured by the fact that it is now estimated that 110,000 people perished in Messina and Reggio alone.

A score of other towns have been devastated and thousands of victims in these places must be added to the roll. In the face of these awful totals, all Italy stands appalled. Nor has the full death list yet been reached. Shiploads of fugitives have arrived at Naples and other ports and the vast majority of these are sorely injured. Other thousands remain near the ruins of their homes or wander, half-starving, half-naked, over the land. The forces that on Monday overwhelmed the cities also destroyed the means of sustenance. Telegraphic communication has been established with Messina, the apparatus having been established in a railway van. Messages which have come over the line, though they have been meager

Becoming Uncontrollable.

Satania, the largest city nearest to the zone of the disaster, is crowded with refugees, and the continuous stream of fugitives coming in, the sight of the wounded and repetition of real or imaginary earthquakes have so alarmed the population that they are becoming uncontrollable. There is no longer any place where the refugees may find shelter. Cardinal Francisca-Nava di Bontife, archbishop of Catania, has employed all the money in his possession to provide bread for the fugitives, but the people of Catania also are in great need, as the ordinary business pursuits have been entirely interrupted.

The government is finding difficulty in ascertaining the fate of the many foreigners who were in the earthquake zone at the time of the catastrophe, inquiries concerning whom are coming from all quarters of the globe. The commander of the battleship Admiral Makharoff, which has arrived with fugitives at Naples, confirms the report of the death of the American consul at Messina, Arthur S. Cheney, and his wife, who were buried in the ruins of the consulate. The number of Americans in Sicily and Southern Italy is believed to be small, and several of them are reported to have been staying at Taormina, which is on the east coast about thirty miles southwest of Messina. According to the latest reports this place suffered no harm from the earthquake.

All the sovereigns and the heads of states of the foreign governments have sent expressions of warmest sympathy and deepest condolence. France's message was especially warm and she is dispatching five warships from Toulon to Messina, which is hailed as a token of love from a sister race.

The minister of marine has received word that the steamships Taormina and Campania, laden with 45,000 beds

left Genoa bound for Messina. Other steamers also bountifully stocked are on their way to the stricken cities from various ports.

The dispatches from the stricken zone say that a large army would be required to cope with even the pressing needs of the unfortunate people, who are roaming about half-clad and starving, some of them dragging articles of clothing from the smouldering ruins to protect themselves from the piercing winds. Terrible suffering is inevitable before the much needed relief stores can arrive.

The rescue parties, military, naval and civil, of different nationalities are performing prodigies, but the task before them is almost hopeless. Added to the difficulty of obtaining food and water, there are no drugs or surgical appliances. Heartbreaking appeals for help are heard on every side, to which only the most inadequate response is possible. Temporary hospitals are being rigged up, but only a comparatively few can be relieved and the scenes of horror defy description. The survivors of the earthquake are suffering cruel extremities and in Messina may be seen everywhere vainly searching in the dust and debris for morsels of food.

Villages Suffered Severely.

Late dispatches state that the city of Palmi contains 1,500 dead and twice as many injured. Two-thirds of the town was laid waste. All the villages adjacent suffered as severely. The king has telegraphed Premier Giolitti informing him that Reggio is in the same awful condition as Messina and announcing that a Russian steamer with 500 injured will arrive at Naples today. His majesty asks that all preparations be made for their reception at the hospitals and requests that the ship be sent back.

with all the doctors that can be mustered.

Dispatches from Catania describe Messina as appearing like a huge incandescent furnace. The fire spread to the buildings that had not fallen, completing the work of destruction. The Strait of Messina is now choked with corpses of men and animals. At the present time there are twelve warships at Messina, four Italian, four British and four Russian, as well as a number of destroyers and steamers. The injured are being carried aboard the steamers and will be removed to Naples.

The relief work now is well begun, but hundreds of persons are wandering about the ruins like madmen. They are being given food and clothing as fast as it is possible.

At the ministry of marine word has been received that frightful looting and pillage occurred at Reggio. This place, already overwhelmed, will have few survivors, as it has been impossible for the relief expeditions to reach it.

NO INFORMATION OF MISSING AMERICANS

Ninety of Them Were in a Hotel at Messina.

Washington, Dec. 31.—Ninety Americans in a Messina hotel that was destroyed and Italians and Americans co-operating in the quest for information regarding the missing are reported upon in a cablegram the state department received from Ambassador Griscom at Rome. The ambassador cabled that he has received no word from the American consuls at Messina and Palermo. He has asked the foreign office for information and that office, he adds, will use every effort through army and navy officers to obtain immediate news. The British consul at Messina is reported injured and his wife and children dead. The ambassador says it is reported that ninety Americans were in the Trinacria hotel at Messina, which is said to be totally destroyed. It is known, however, that some of the Americans escaped. The foreign office stated that several foreign nations are hurrying warships to the scene to offer assistance. The ambassador has dispatched consular officers in the quest for information.

Bishop Sessums Safe in Rome.

New Orleans, Dec. 31.—A cablegram received here from the Right Rev. David Sessums, Protestant Episcopal bishop of Louisiana, states that he and his daughter, Miss Alice, are safe in Rome. The prelate and his daughter were believed to have been in Messina at the time of the earthquake.

RAPID PROGRESS IN TRIAL

Ten Witnesses Examined in the Erb Murder Case.

Media, Pa., Dec. 31.—The trial of Mrs. M. Florence Erb and her sister, Mrs. Catherine Beisel, for the murder of Captain J. Clayton Erb, progressed rapidly here. Ten witnesses were examined, among them the servants in the employ of the Erb household at the time of the tragedy and some officials who investigated the crime. The testimony of all the witnesses was considered by the defense lawyers as materially strengthening their case. It tended, they said, to sustain the contention that Mrs. Beisel, as she has maintained from the first, fired the fatal shot. Each witness who described the scenes at the house after the shooting testified that she admitted having taken the revolver from Erb and turned it on him. There was no direct testimony, however, to uphold her contention that she acted in self-defense. The testimony in no manner associated Mrs. Erb with having done the shooting.

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Earth and Sea Claimed Thousands of Human Beings.

FIRE FINISHED DEVASTATION

Western Region of Calabria and Eastern Coast of Sicily Ravaged for a Distance of Nearly One Hundred Miles—Shiploads of Injured Refugees From Stricken Districts Arrive at Naples.

Naples, Dec. 31.—Time only confirms the unspeakable horrors of the overpowering catastrophe. History perhaps never will divulge its supremest individual tragedies, for earth and sea ruthlessly claimed thousands of human beings, and the flames mercilessly completed the unfinished devastation.

Naples, vibrant with the memory of Vesuvius, is prostrated anew at the misery and woe from Messina confined to her care. The hotels and homes are crowded with refugees and the people are vieing with one another in aiding the stricken.

Those who have explicit knowledge on the subject agree that the center of the catastrophe was the Strait of Messina, which also is the center of the volcanic zone whose highest peak, Etna, is now silent. From this base, the Telluric disturbance extended, abating little by little, northerly as far as Cape Vaticano and southerly as far as the Bay of Catania, ravaging the western region of Calabria and the eastern coast of Sicily for a distance of nearly 100 miles.

It is impossible accurately to ascer-

tain the extent of the movement east and west in the inland regions, but it is certain that the beauty of one of the most charming sections of Southern Italy has been irrevocably despoiled. Vineyards are no more; waving rows of lemon, orange and olive trees have been torn up and the enchanting coast line, with its soft and fragrant foliage, has been converted into a hideous desert. Reggio, whose gay aspect set off the severity of the mountains, and Palmi, perched jauntily amid orange and olive trees, have become mere blots on the horizon.

The wounded refugees present a sickening sight. Some appear hardly

human; others among the fugitives have no apparent injuries, but are in such a deplorable mental condition that they seem the worst of all. The horror of that tragic minute is irradically fixed upon their faces. On the relief ships the refugees were heaped everywhere. Some of them appear to be stricken with a kind of idiocy, looking aimlessly before them; others completely mad, how wildly.

Horrid Thing.

"Why do you hate Mr. Wendell so?"

the sweet young mother was asked.

"The horrid thing refused to kiss

my baby because he was afraid of catching something."—Houston Post.

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LOOT AN OKLAHOMA BANK

Robbers Get Away With Five Thousand Dollars.

Muskogee, Okla., Dec. 31.—Five robbers dynamited the bank at Wellston, Okla., east of here and after exchanging many shots with the citizens, escaped with \$5,000. No one was hurt.

The robbers, heavily armed, rode into Wellston after midnight. They erected a barbed wire barricade around the bank and while some members of the gang went to work on the bank safe, others stood guard. The citizens were soon up in arms and a lively exchange of shots with the robbers followed.

The robbers were well armed and protected and for two hours they stood the citizens off while their comrades worked on the bank vault. When they finally succeeded in getting the money it contained, the five men rode off, covering their departure with a constant and heavy fire.

The cleverest imitation of real Coffee ever yet made is Dr. Shoop's Health Coffee. It is fine in flavor—and is made in just one minute. No tedious 20 or 30 minutes boiling. Made from pure parched grains, malt, nuts, etc. Sample free. McGinn & Smith. 1750

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1908.

WEATHER FORECAST

Fair tonight and Friday; warmer on Saturday.



Down in History.

1494—Jacques Cartier, first to sail up the St. Lawrence, born; died 1555.
1720—Charles Edward (Louis Philip Casimir), an English prince who claimed the throne of the Stuarts, born; died 1778.
1852—Leon Gambetta, prime minister of France, leader of the Republicans in 1870, died, born 1838.
1905—Revolt in Moscow suppressed.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Sun sets 4:39, rises 7:21; moon sets 2:13 a. m.

New Year's Postoffice Hours

Friday, January 1st, New Year's day, there will be no delivery by carrier, either rural or city. The carriers' and general delivery windows will be open in the forenoon from 9 until 10 o'clock, and in the afternoon immediately following the arrival and distribution of the mail from the south. No money order business will be transacted.

2 N. H. INGERSOLL, P. M.

No Paper New Years

Tomorrow will be New Years and there will be no issue of the DAILY DISPATCH. The weekly edition will be printed tonight and mailed tomorrow morning, as usual.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES

Does your stove smoke? Try Anti Carbon, sold by D. M. Clark & Co. 1750

W. W. Bane went to Motley this afternoon on legal business.

Judge Fleming returned today from a business trip to Walker.

Come and see our new line of library lamps at D. M. Clark & Co.'s. 1750

C. H. Paine went to Nisswa yesterday afternoon on business.

O. E. Culver came down from Deerwood on business this noon.

C. A. Neumann went to Deerwood this morning on the early train.

Leave your order for storm sash with D. M. Clark & Co. 1750

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Johnson, of Motley, were in the city last night.

You can now buy our latest styles furs at cost. B. Kaatz & Son.

J. E. Vincent, of Pillager, was registered at the Antlers last night.

Store your household goods with D. M. Clark & Co. 1750

Mrs. Chris Bartens, of Deerwood, was in the city between trains today.

Joseph McGregor, of Hibbing, was registered at the Antlers last night.

W. H. Mantor went to Bemidji yesterday on business, returning today.

Ladies and misses coats, new styles, at cost. B. Kaatz & Son. 1750

Miss Ethel Stickney went to Aitkin this morning to visit friends for a few days.

City property to trade for land or land for city property. Enquire of T. E. Welch. 165tf

Sherwood Hartley is again about well after a severe attack of pneumonia.

James N. Thompson, of Yankton, N. D., was in the city last night enroute to Pequot.

MUSIC NEW YEAR'S AFTERNOON AND EVENING AND SATURDAY AFTERNOON AND EVENING AT CASINO ROLLER RINK.

Dr. Thabes returned this morning from a trip to Staples on professional business.

Miss Hazel Morell, of Verndale, is in the city visiting Mrs. J. A. Thabes for a few days.

Aluminum cooking utensils at Slipp-Gruenhagen's. 165tf

Wm. Hessel left this morning for the twin cities to be absent a couple of days on business.

Mixed hard wood, stove length, for sale at \$3.50 per load. Phones 111 or 1

Erick Erickson went to Minneapolis this morning for a week's visit with friends in that city.

Miss Rose Poppenberg went to Staples today to visit Mrs. R. J. Tinkelbaugh for a few days.

Laura Schwanka, of Glendive, Mont., left for her home last night after a brief visit in this city.

Miss Pope Willis, of Minneapolis, arrived here this afternoon to visit her friend, Mrs. Charles Risk.

Jacob Schmidt's bottle beer is delicious. We have the agency. Order a case. Telephone 164 John Coates Liquor Co. 1750

J. M. Elder, W. D. McKay and Con O'Brien returned last night from a business trip to St. Paul.

J. P. Early went to Jamestown, N. D., today after visiting his family in this city for about a week.

E. F. Ramsey and S. J. Konnts, of Turtle Lake, N. D., arrived in the city this morning for a brief visit.

Bargain hunters should attend the closing out sale of C. N. Sonnesyn & Co., as rare bargains are offered daily.

Will Slipp returned today from Nisswa where he had been visiting at the home of his uncle Wm. Murray.

Mrs. J. B. Sowl and daughter, Miss Lillian Patterson, went to Little Falls today to visit friends for a few days.

MUSIC NEW YEAR'S AFTERNOON AND EVENING AND SATURDAY AFTERNOON AND EVENING.

G. A. Jones came up from Minneapolis last night on business matters connected with the Brainerd Milling company.

D. M. Clark & Co. the oldest installment house in the city. Goods sold on easy terms.

W. Wilcox, of Knife River, was in the city last night on his way to Little Falls to visit a friend who is sick in the hospital there.

Frenchy the boot black has moved to LaLond's billiard hall, 512 Front St. Phone No. 122. Ladies shoes called for if requested.

C. A. Montgomery, of St. Paul, left for Grand Forks yesterday afternoon after visiting his friend Harry Carlson for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Carmichael and children returned yesterday from Mankato, where they had been visiting relatives since before Christmas.

Snap in fine 160 acres in Dagget Brook town, improved farms on all sides, about 20 acres meadow on running water, balance timber and brush land. \$10 per acre, half cash. Address Fred W. Woodward, owner. 3216 Hennepin Ave., Minneapolis.

Miss Mabel McKay, left today for Sisseton, S. D., where is teaching in the city school, after spending Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. McKay.

We have 25 second hand coal and wood heaters to be sold for storage. G. M. Clark & Co. 139tf

Miss Lettie Voerg, of St. Paul, who has been visiting her friend, Miss May Jones, left today for her home. Miss Jones accompanied her for a few days in the city.

On account of the liberal patronage Miss Cozy Smith and her four pickaninnies will remain at the Bijou the balance of the week. Matinee tomorrow, New Years, at 3 p. m.

Mrs. W. D. Mock and her sister, Miss Clara McGuire, who had been visiting her, went to Staples today morning. Mrs. Mock will visit for a few days at the McGuire home.

For genuine bargains go to C. N. Sonnesyn & Co's Great Closing Out Sale. Good goods at unheard of prices

164 tf

The Misses Mary and Olive Bacon, who have been visiting friends here for several days, left for their home in Pillager today. Miss Ruth Simmons accompanied them for a few days visit.

Parties not receiving the Minneapolis Tribune and Pioneer Press regularly will please notify Dell Tudor, 408 South 12th street.

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COUNT'S PETITION DENIED

Princess de Sagan Retains Custody of Her Children.

Paris, Dec. 31.—The petition of Count Boni de Castellane that the custody of his three sons be given to his mother, the Marquise de Castellane, was denied. The court ruled

that the children remain in the custody of their mother, Princess de Sagan, formerly Miss Anna Gould of New York.

The court ruled further that the children should not leave the Continent without its permission. Beginning Oct. 19, 1909, they are to be placed in a college situated within a hundred miles of Paris.

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Reinert Olson, of Rabbit Lake, was in the city between trains today undergoing treatment for a foot that has been bothering him for some time.

Two full cords of lath edging delivered to any part of the city, for \$5.00. Wm. Wood, office Wise block. Phones 187, mill 43.

The Machinists give their ball this evening. They have Gardner's hall handsomely decorated for the occasion and anticipate a very successful affair.

Frank T. Smith, of Northeast Brainerd left last night for Seattle to bring home his sister, Miss Agnes Smith, who has been seriously ill in a hospital there.

W. H. Koop returned today from Duluth, where he went to attend the first annual ball of the Knights of Columbus, in that city last evening. He reports having had a very enjoyable time.

Universal bread makers are now a necessity in the kitchen. \$2.00 and \$2.50. Slipp-Gruenhagen Co. 165tf

Miss Florence Heriault and Dennis Heriault, who had been visiting their mother, Mrs. Oscar Hill for a few days, left today for their home in Akeley.

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UNITED STATES COURT OF CLAIMS

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It is perhaps needless to add that we refer to the dictionary in our judicial work as of the highest authority in accuracy of definition; and that in the future as in the past it will be the source of constant reference.

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LAWRENCE WELDON,
JOHN DAVIS,
STANLEY J. ELLIOTT,
CHARLES R. HOWRY,
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Application for License to Sell in intoxicating Liquors in Crow Wing County, Minnesota

Notice is hereby given that George F. Thurston has petitioned the Board of County Commissioners of Crow Wing County, Minnesota, for license to sell intoxicating liquors at Fort Ripley on the first floor of a two-story frame building situated on lot 1, block 2, townsite of Fort Ripley.

This application and any remonstrance or objections to the granting of the same will be heard and determined by said Board of County Commissioners, at their next regular session, on Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1909, at the court house, in the City of Brainerd.

J. F. SMART,
County Auditor, Crow Wing County,
Minn.

Dated Brainerd, Minn., Dec. 22, 1908.

Dec. 24-12

LOCAL NEWS NOTES

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E. K. Parks and Miss Ima Parks left this afternoon for St. Paul, after visiting relatives and friends here for a few days. He goes from there to Spokane, where he now resides.

Your son and daughter ought each to have a saving account with the Security. Better start them at this bank before the holidays.

J. C. Wood and A. D. Ward, of St. Paul, returned today from the former's bungalow at Crooked lake, where they have been spending a few days. They left this afternoon for their home.

The Bissell carpet sweeper makes a nice present for mother. See them at Slipp-Gruenhagen Co's. 1656

Wm. McGinnis came up from Minneapolis yesterday to visit friends in Brainerd until the first of the week. Will is now a student of the University of Minnesota, and is taking the civil engineering course.

The closing out sale of C. N. Sonnensy & Co., successors to the Brainerd Lumber & Mercantile Co., is still in progress, and great bargains are offered.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Russell, of Riceville, Ia., left for their home today after a visit at the home of the son, Frank Russell. Mrs. Russell has been here about two months while he has been visiting here about a week.

Supt. W. H. Strachan and family returned today from International Falls in his private car, accompanied by Miss Theresa Schultz, who was their guest on their trip. Mr. Strachan states that the thermometer stood at 20 degrees below zero there this morning.

Barry had all the better of the fight in nearly every round. In the eighth round he had Kaufmann so groggy that a knockout seemed imminent, but Kaufmann managed to pull himself together. The fight then dragged wearily along until Barry's seconds threw up the sponge.

The hearing in the condemnation proceedings of the Minnesota Water Works Co. was continued yesterday at the request of the city attorney and the special city attorney who are busily engaged in court work. The hearing was set for January 19.

C. B. Rowley returned today from Bemidji, having completed the building for the Northern Grocery Co. Mr. Rowley has been very fortunate in the work on the building, having had much reason to hope for, and feels correspondingly elated.

There will be a watch meeting held by the Christian Endeavor society of the First Presbyterian church at the residence of Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Lowrie tonight, commencing immediately after the close of the prayer meeting at that church.

C. V. Halladay and A. D. Peterson, Jr., left this morning for Devils Lake, N. D., going via St. Cloud. The young gentlemen are employed as machinists in the Great Northern shops at Devils Lake and were here spending Christmas at the homes of their parents.

Silver plated knives, forks and spoons. We can save you money on these. Slipp-Gruenhagen Co. 1656

Iola Council, No. 15, Degree of Pocahontas, will hold their regular meeting in Columbian hall tomorrow night, Jan. 1, 1909. After the meeting the Pocahontas ladies will give a social time for their husband and Red Men and their wives. They will have several candidates for initiation and will put the degree team on.

When the jury was selected in the Thos. Bear case the rest of the panel were excused for the term. After the verdict of the jury was received court adjourned until Monday morning next for which time a special venire of jurors are being summoned, Sheriff Erickson and his deputy being engaged this afternoon in summoning them. Judge McClenahan was engaged this afternoon in the preliminary hearing in the judicial ditch case involving the so-called Aitkin cut-off.

Preventives—those Candy Cold Cure Tablets—will safely and quickly check all colds and the Grip. Try them once and see! 48-25c. Sold by H. P. Dunn's drug store. ttw

Medicine that is Medicine

"I have suffered a good deal with malaria and stomach complaints, but I have now found a remedy that keeps me well, and that remedy is Electric Bitters; a medicine that is medicine for stomach and liver troubles, and for run down conditions," says W. C. Kistler, of Halliday, Ark. Electric Bitters purify and enrich the blood, tone up the nerves, and impart vigor and energy to the weak. Your money will be refunded if it fails to help you. 50c at Dunn's drug store.

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To See the New Year In.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—In the Coliseum here tonight 12,000 Christian workers will await with hymns and prayers the coming of the new year. It will be a gigantic old fashioned "watch night" service, participated in by evangelists from all parts of America.

Tonight's service will be the closing scene of a three day's revival held under the auspices of the Moody Bible Institute of this city.

Costly Fire in Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Dec. 31.—Fire was discovered in the wool warehouse of Fred Wolstenholme and Howard Boyer & Son at 34 South Letitia street, in the center of the downtown wholesale district. The flames made rapid progress and a general alarm was soon rung. The total loss will reach \$200,000.

St. Paul Man Killed by Cars.

St. Paul, Dec. 31.—Otto Becker, a clerk in the office of the superintendent of the Northern Pacific roundhouse in the Mississippi street yards, was run down and killed in the yards.

His body was horribly mutilated by the three cars which passed over it.

The Towle Maple Syrup Co.

BURTON AND TAFT CONFER

Discuss the Senatorial Situation in Ohio.

AGREEMENT ON SENATORSHIP

Leading Candidates for Foraker's Seat in the Upper House of Congress Believed to Have Settled Their Differences and That Burton Will Secure the Prize—Taft to Be a Candidate Two Years Hence.

Columbus, O., Dec. 31.—An unexpected, and it is believed, final turn was given the senatorial situation in this state when Congressman Theodore E. Burton and Charles P. Taft, the two leading candidates, held a long conference. It was said that an amicable settlement of the contest between the two was discussed, and it is believed that a final agreement soon will be announced. The adherents of Mr. Burton claim that the conference means the selection of their candidate and are jubilant.

The conference is believed to have been held upon the advice of President-elect Taft. Wade H. Ellis, who was sent to Augusta, Ga., to discuss the senatorial fight with W. H. Taft, returned and reported the result of his mission to Charles P. Taft and his supporters.

The conference was a surprise to all the political leaders in Columbus except those directly concerned. The supporters of Mr. Taft had announced that the fight against Mr. Burton would be carried on with increased vigor and that under no circumstances would Mr. Taft withdraw.

Announcement was made after the conference to the effect that Mr. Taft and Mr. Burton had met to discuss matters relating to a caucus. Later it was frankly admitted that an amicable settlement of the differences between the two leading candidates had been the subject under consideration.

Mr. Taft and Mr. Burton were together for two hours. It was rumored subsequently that the agreement reached would undoubtedly mean that Mr. Taft would be a candidate two years hence to succeed Senator Charles Dick.

With Mr. Burton, who hails from Cleveland, as the representative of Northern Ohio, the pathway

would be clear for the election of a Southern Ohio man, preferably from Cincinnati, in 1911.

CANADA FAVORS PROJECT

Accepts Invitation to Join in Conservation Conference.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 31.—Gifford Pinchot, head of the United States forestry department, at a Canadian club dinner voiced an invitation from the United States to Canada to join with Mexico in a conference to be held at Washington for the conservation of the natural resources of North America.

Mr. Pinchot said the invitation was made directly upon the order of President Roosevelt.

Earl Grey in reply declared Mr. Pinchot's words were the most impressive warning to a nation he had ever heard. He continued:

"I say to President Roosevelt that there is no subject in which Canada will co-operate more heartily with the United States than that of the conservation of natural resources. President Roosevelt's invitation is heartily accepted."

Premier Laurier and R. L. Borden, leader of the opposition in the Canadian parliament, promised support to the project.

Want Duty on Art Works Removed.

Princeton, N. J., Dec. 31.—The twenty-sixth annual convention of the Modern Language Association of America ended with the adoption of a resolution petitioning congress to remove the existing duties upon works of art and their reproductions, including photographs; upon all books printed in foreign countries, and upon scientific instruments intended for the private use of investigators.

EXPECTED TO REACH FIFTY

Death List From Explosion in a West Virginia Mine.

Bluefield, W. Va., Dec. 31.—The work of exploring the Lick Branch colliery, in which a disastrous explosion occurred Tuesday, still continues, and a total of twenty-seven dead have been recovered. It is estimated that the death list will reach fifty. The cause of death in most of the cases was asphyxiation from after-damp and smoke caused by the explosion, although the force of the blast was terrific. Mine cars shattered to splinters and other debris was blown out of the entrance and 100 feet away from the mine mouth into the open.

In a large building near the mines a temporary morgue has been established. There are many pitiful scenes about the little village and watchers sit by the coffins of three in one home and in three other homes there are two waiting for interment. The explosion occurred in a mine that was looked upon as a model colliery.

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EARTHQUAKE DISASTER APPALS COUNTRY

Death List of Italian Calamity Grows.

IN REGGIO AND MESSINA

One Hundred and Ten Thousand People Perished.

MORE DEATHS WILL OCCUR

Thousands of the Injured Are Expected to Succumb.

Rome, Dec. 31.—The immensity of the disaster in Southern Italy and Sicily can only be measured by the fact that it is now estimated that 110,000 people perished in Messina and Reggio alone. A score of other towns have been devastated and thousands of victims in these places must be added to the toll. In the face of these awful totals, all Italy stands appalled. Nor has the full death list yet been reached. Shiploads of fugitives have arrived at Naples and other ports and the vast majority of these are sorely pained. Other thousands remain near the ruins of their homes or wander, half-starving, half-naked, over the land. The forces that on Monday overwhelmed the cities also destroyed the means of sustenance. Telegraphic communication has been established with Messina, the apparatus having been established in a railway van. Messages which have come over the line, though they have been meager

nothing remains of the city but a mass of ruins that have been swept by fire. A mere handful of survivors are being cared for by the rescuing forces, but their distress is great and it has been increased by the violent icy wind that followed the deluge of rain. Destitution is everywhere and appalling. There is little food and less water. Of Messina's 90,000 population it is believed that fully 70,000 perished. Forty thousand people died in Reggio.

King Victor Emmanuel and Queen Helena visited Messina. The king explored the ruins regardless of the danger to which he exposed himself. He was often moved to tears at the heartrending scenes he came upon at every turn. The king was loud in his praise of the splendid work accomplished by the Italian, Russian and English blue-jackets, who saved many persons who otherwise would have inevitably perished. The queen spent the day in the wards of improvised hospitals visiting the wounded, many of whom have lost all that was dear to them. Her majesty did her best to cheer them with womanly words of consolation, often breaking into sobs as she listened to their dreadful tales of suffering. The king has left for Reggio.

Becoming Uncontrollable.

Satania, the largest city nearest to the zone of the disaster, is crowded with refugees, and the continuous stream of fugitives coming in, the sight of the wounded and repetition of real or imaginary earthquakes have so alarmed the population that they are becoming uncontrollable. There is no longer any place where the refugees may find shelter. Cardinal Francia-Nava di Bontife, archbishop of Catania, has employed all the money in his possession to provide bread for the fugitives, but the people of Catania also are in great need, as the ordinary business pursuits have been entirely interrupted.

The government is finding difficulty in ascertaining the fate of the many foreigners who were in the earthquake zone at the time of the catastrophe. Inquiries concerning whom are coming from all quarters of the globe. The commander of the battleship Admiral Makharoff, which has arrived with fugitives at Naples, confirms the report of the death of the American consul at Messina, Arthur S. Cheney, and his wife, who were buried in the ruins of the consulate. The number of Americans in Sicily and Southern Italy is believed to be small, and several of them are reported to have been staying at Taormina, which is on the east coast about thirty miles southwest of Messina. According to the latest reports this place suffered no harm from the earthquake.

All the sovereigns and the heads of states of the foreign governments have sent expressions of warmest sympathy and deepest condolence. France's message was especially warm and she is dispatching five warships from Toulon to Messina, which is hailed as a token of love from a sister race.

The minister of marine has received word that the steamships Taormina and Campania, laden with 45,000 beds

left Genoa bound for Messina. Other steamers also bountifully stocked are on their way to the stricken cities from various ports.

The dispatches from the stricken zone say that a large army would be required to cope with even the pressing needs of the unfortunate people, who are roaming about half-clad and starving, some of them dragging articles of clothing from the smouldering ruins to protect themselves from the piercing winds. Terrible suffering is inevitable before the much needed relief stores can arrive.

The rescue parties, military, naval and civil, of different nationalities are performing prodigies, but the task before them is almost hopeless. Added to the difficulty of obtaining food and water, there are no drugs or surgical appliances. Heartbreaking appeals for help are heard on every side, to which only the most inadequate response is possible. Temporary hospitals are being rigged up, but only a comparatively few can be relieved and the scenes of horror defy description. The survivors of the earthquake are suffering cruel extremities and in Messina may be seen everywhere vainly searching in the dust and debris for morsels of food.

Villages Suffered Severely.

Late dispatches state that the city of Palma contains 1,500 dead and twice as many injured. Two-thirds of the town was laid waste. All the villages adjacent suffered as severely. The king has telegraphed Premier Giolitti informing him that Reggio is in the same awful condition as Messina and announcing that a Russian steamer with 500 injured will arrive at Naples today. His majesty asks that all preparations be made for their reception at the hospitals, and requests that the ship be sent back

with all the doctors that can be mustered.

Dispatches from Catania describe Messina as appearing like a huge incandescent furnace. The fire spread to the buildings that had not fallen, completing the work of destruction. The Strait of Messina is now choked with corpses of men and animals. At the present time there are twelve warships at Messina, four Italian, four British and four Russian, as well as a number of destroyers and steamers. The injured are being carried aboard the steamers and will be removed to Naples.

The relief work now is well begun, but hundreds of persons are wandering about the ruins like madmen. They are being given food and clothing as fast as it is possible.

At the ministry of marine word has been received that frightful looting and pillage occurred at Reggio. This place, already overwhelmed, will have few survivors, as it has been impossible for the relief expeditions to reach it.

NO INFORMATION OF MISSING AMERICANS

Ninety of Them Were in a Hotel at Messina.

Washington, Dec. 31.—Ninety Americans in a Messina hotel that was destroyed and Italians and Americans co-operating in the quest for information regarding the missing are reported upon in a cablegram the state department received from Ambassador Griscom at Rome. The ambassador cabled that he has received no word from the American consuls at Messina and Palermo. He has asked the foreign office for information and that office, he adds, will use every effort through army and navy officers to obtain immediate news. The British consul at Messina is reported injured and his wife and children dead. The ambassador says it is reported that ninety Americans were in the Trinacria hotel at Messina, which is said to be totally destroyed. It is known, however, that some of the guests escaped. The foreign office stated that several foreign nations are hurrying warships to the scene to offer assistance. The ambassador has dispatched consular officers in the quest for information.

Bishop Sessums Safe in Rome.

New Orleans Dec. 31.—A cablegram received here from the Right Rev. David Sessums, Protestant Episcopal bishop of Louisiana, states that he and his daughter, Miss Alice, are safe in Rome. The prelate and his daughter were believed to have been in Messina at the time of the earthquake.

RAPID PROGRESS IN TRIAL

Ten Witnesses Examined in the Erb Murder Case.

Media, Pa., Dec. 31.—The trial of Mrs. M. Florence Erb and her sister, Mrs. Catherine Beisel, for the murder of Captain J. Clayton Erb, progressed rapidly here. Ten witnesses were examined, among them the servants in the employ of the Erb household at the time of the tragedy and some officials who investigated the crime. The testimony of all the witnesses was considered by the defense lawyers as materially strengthening their case. It tended, they said, to sustain the contention that Mrs. Beisel, as she has maintained from the first, fired the fatal shot. Each witness who described the scenes at the house after the shooting testified that she admitted having taken the revolver from Erb and turned it on him. There was no direct testimony, however, to uphold her contention that she acted in self-defense. The testimony in no manner associated Mrs. Erb with having done the shooting.

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Earth and Sea Claimed Thousands of Human Beings.

FIRE FINISHED DEVASTATION

Western Region of Calabria and Eastern Coast of Sicily Ravaged for a Distance of Nearly One Hundred Miles—Shiploads of Injured Refugees From Stricken Districts Arrive at Naples.

Naples, Dec. 31.—Time only confirms the unspeakable horrors of the overpowering catastrophe. History perhaps never will divulge its supremest individual tragedies, for earth and sea ruthlessly claimed thousands of human beings, and the flames mercilessly completed the unfinished devastation.

Naples, vibrant with the memory of Vesuvius, is prostrated anew at the misery and woe from Messina confined to her care. The hotels and homes are crowded with refugees and the people are viing with one another in aiding the stricken.

Those who have explicit knowledge on the subject agree that the center of the catastrophe was the Strait of Messina, which also is the center of the volcanic zone whose highest peak, Etna, is now silent. From this base, the Telluric disturbance extended, abating little by little, northerly as far as Cape Vaticano and southerly as far as the Bay of Catania, ravaging the western region of Calabria and the eastern coast of Sicily for a distance of nearly 100 miles.

It is impossible accurately to ascer-

**"Wake up
Early on
Thursday,
Jan. 7th"**

tain the extent of the movement east and west in the inland regions, but it is certain that the beauty of one of the most charming sections of Southern Italy has been irrevocably despoiled. Vineyards are no more; waving rows of lemon, orange and olive trees have been torn up and the enchanting coast line, with its soft and fragrant foliage, has been converted into a hideous desert. Reggio, whose gay aspect set off the severity of the mountains, and Palma, perched jauntily amid orange and olive trees, have become mere blots on the horizon.

The wounded refugees present a sickening sight. Some appear hardly

human; others among the fugitives have no apparent injuries, but are in such a deplorable mental condition that they seem the worst of all. The horror of that tragic minute is indelibly fixed upon their faces. On the relief ships the refugees were heaped everywhere. Some of them appear to be stricken with a kind of idiocy, looking aimlessly before them; others completely mad, howl wildly.

Horrid Thing.

"Why do you hate Mr. Wendell so?"
the sweet young mother was asked.

"The horrid thing refused to kiss my baby because he was afraid of catching something."—Houston Post.

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LOOT AN OKLAHOMA BANK

Robbers Get Away With Five Thousand Dollars.

Muskogee, Okla., Dec. 31.—Five robbers dynamited the bank at Wellston, Okla., east of here and after exchanging many shots with the citizens, escaped with \$5,000. No one was hurt.

The robbers, heavily armed, rode into Wellston after midnight. They erected a barbed wire barricade around the bank and while some members of the gang went to work on the bank safe, others stood guard. The citizens were soon up in arms and a lively exchange of shots with the robbers followed.

The robbers were well armed and protected and for two hours they stood the citizens off while their comrades worked on the bank vault. When they finally succeeded in getting the money it contained, the five men rode off, covering their departure with a constant and heavy fire.

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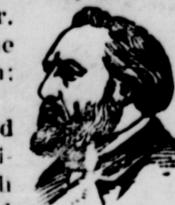
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1908.

WEATHER FORECAST

Fair tonight and Friday; warmer out portion Friday.

DO. C. in History.

1494—Jacques Cartier, first to sail up the St. Lawrence, born: died 1553.
1720—Charles Edward (Louis Philip Casimir), an English prince who claimed the throne of the Stuarts, born: died 1778.
1882—Leon Gambetta, prime minister of France, leader of the Republicans in 1870, died, born 1838.
1905—Revolt in Moscow suppressed.



ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Sun sets 4:39, rises 7:21; moon sets 2:13 a. m.

New Year's Postoffice Hours

Friday, January 1st, New Year's day, there will be no delivery by carrier, either rural or city. The carriers' and general delivery windows will be open in the forenoon from 9 until 10 o'clock, and in the afternoon immediately following the arrival and distribution of the mail from the south. No money order business will be transacted.

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No Paper New Years

Tomorrow will be New Years and there will be no issue of the DAILY DISPATCH. The weekly edition will be printed tonight and mailed tomorrow morning, as usual.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES

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C. H. Paine went to Motley this afternoon on legal business.

Judge Fleming returned today from a business trip to Walker.

Come and see our new line of library lamps at D. M. Clark & Co.'s. 139tf

C. H. Paine went to Nisswa yesterday afternoon on business.

O. E. Culver came down from Deerwood on business this noon.

C. A. Neumann went to Deerwood this morning on the early train.

Leave your order for storm sash with D. M. Clark & Co. 139tf

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Johnson, of Motley, were in the city last night.

You can now buy our latest styles furs at cost. B. Kaatz & Son.

J. E. Vincent, of Pillager, was registered at the Antlers last night.

Store your household goods with D. M. Clark & Co. 139tf

Mrs. Chris Bartens, of Deerwood, was in the city between trains today.

Joseph McGregor, of Hibbing, was registered at the Antlers last night.

W. H. Mantor went to Bemidji yesterday on business, returning today.

Ladies and misses coats, new styles, at cost. B. Kaatz & Son. 1t

Miss Ethel Stickney went to Aitkin this morning to visit friends for a few days.

City property to trade for land or land for city property. Enquire of T. E. Welch. 165tf

Sherwood Hartley is again about well after a severe attack of pneumonia.

James N. Thompson, of Yankton, N. D., was in the city last night enroute to Pequot.

Music New Year's afternoon and evening and Saturday afternoon and evening at Casino Roller Rink.

Dr. Thabes returned this morning from a trip to Staples on professional business.

Miss Hazel Morell, of Verndale, is in the city visiting Mrs. J. A. Thabes for a few days.

Aluminum cooking utensils at Slipp-Gruenhagen's. 165tf

Wm. Hessel left this morning for the twin cities to be absent a couple of days on business.

Mixed hard wood, stove length, for sale at \$3.50 per load. Phones 111 or 152 1 mo

Erick Erickson went to Minneapolis this morning for a week's visit with friends in that city.

Miss Rose Poppenberg went to Staples today to visit Mrs. R. J. Tinklebaugh for a few days.

Laura Schwanka, of Glendive, Mont., left for her home last night after a brief visit in this city.

Miss Pope Willis, of Minneapolis, arrived here this afternoon to visit her friend, Mrs. Charles Risk.

Jacob Schmidt's bottle beer is delicious. We have the agency. Order a case. Telephone 164 John Coates Liquor Co. 164tf

V. J. M. Elder, W. D. McKay and Con O'Brien returned last night from a business trip to St. Paul.

J. P. Early went to Jamestown, N. D., today after visiting his family in this city for about a week.

E. F. Ramsey and S. J. Konnts, of Turtle Lake, N. D., arrived in the city this morning for a brief visit.

Bargain hunters should attend the closing out sale of C. N. Sonnesyn & Co., as rare bargains are offered daily. 164tf

Will Slipp returned today from Nisswa where he had been visiting at the home of his uncle Wm. Murray.

Miss J. B. Sowl and daughter, Miss Lilian Patterson, went to Little Falls today to visit friends for a few days.

Music New Year's afternoon and evening and Saturday afternoon and evening.

G. A. Jones came up from Minneapolis last night on business matters connected with the Brainerd Milling company.

D. M. Clark & Co. the oldest installment house in the city. Goods sold on easy terms. 139tf

M. Wilcox, of Knife River, was in the city last night on his way to Little Falls to visit a friend who is sick in the hospital there.

Frenchy the boot black has moved to LaLond's billiard hall, 512 Front St. Phone No. 122. Ladies shoes called for if requested. 1776

C. A. Montgomery, of St. Paul, left for Grand Forks yesterday afternoon after visiting his friend Harry Carlson for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Carmichael and children returned yesterday from Mankato, where they had been visiting relatives since before Christmas.

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Reinert Olson, of Rabbit Lake, was in the city between trains today undergoing treatment for a foot that has been bothering him for some time.

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The Machinists give their ball this evening. They have Gardner's hall handsomely decorated for the occasion and anticipate a very successful affair.

Frank T. Smith, of Northeast Brainerd left last night for Seattle to bring home his sister, Miss Agnes Smith, who has been seriously ill in a hospital there.

W. H. Koop returned today from Duluth, where he went to attend the first annual ball of the Knights of Columbus, in that city last evening. He reports having had a very enjoyable time.

Universal bread makers are now a necessity in the kitchen. \$2.00 and \$2.50. Slipp-Gruenhagen Co. 165tf

Miss Florence Heriault and Dennis Heriault, who had been visiting their mother, Mrs. Oscar Hill for a few days, left today for their home in Akeley.

To those who may wish to cast their lot with the Security bank, we promise our very best service. tf

Mrs. J. P. Saunders and little daughter and Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Sias, of

Miss Mabel McKay, left today for Sisseton, S. D., where is in teaching in the city school, after spending Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. McKay.

We have 25 second hand coal and wood heaters to be sold for storage. G. M. Clark & Co. 139tf

Miss Lettie Voerg, of St. Paul, who has been visiting her friend, Miss May Jones, left today for her home. Miss Jones accompanied her for a few days visit in the city.

On account of the liberal patronage Miss Cozy Smith and her four pickaninnies will remain at the Bijou the balance of the week. Matinee tomorrow, New Years, at 3 p. m. It

Mrs. W. D. Mock and her sister, Miss Clara McGuire, who had been visiting her, went to Staples today noon. Mrs. Mock will visit for a few days at the McGuire home.

For genuine bargains go to C. N. Sonnesyn & Co's Great Closing Out Sale. Good goods at unheard of prices 164 tf

The Misses Mary and Olive Bacon, who have been visiting friends here for several days, left for their home in Pillager today. Miss Ruth Simmons accompanied them for a few days visit.

Parties not receiving the Minneapolis Tribune and Pioneer Press regularly will please notify Dell Tudor, 408 South 12th street. 175tf

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COUNT'S PETITION DENIED

Princess de Sagan Retains Custody of Her Children.

Paris, Dec. 31.—The petition of Count Boni de Castellane that the

children should not leave the Continent without its permission. Beginning Oct. 19, 1909, they are to be placed in a college situated within a hundred miles of Paris.

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HEARING ON

AITKIN CUT-OFF

Preliminary Hearing on Proposed Cut-Off Channel for Mississippi River Today

IS BEFORE JUDGE McCLENAHAN

State Engineer Estimates That Cost of the Ditch Will Be About \$165,000

The preliminary hearing on the proposed cut-off in the Mississippi river to protect Aitkin and adjoining country from floods was taken up before Judge McClenahan this afternoon, in chambers.

George A. Ralph, the state drainage engineer, came up from St. Paul last night to attend the hearing and gave THE DISPATCH some very interesting data regarding the proposed cut-off channel. The ditch, if constructed, will be fitted with dam and locks at the upper end so that the water from the river will be turned into it only in case of exceptional high water, when there is danger of excessive overflow.

The state drainage commission has already made a preliminary survey of the proposed improvement and compiled estimates of the cost. According to the estimates prepared the total cost will be about \$165,000, of which the proposal is that the state donate \$25,000 out of the state drainage funds, in addition to the paying of the same assessments on state lands benefitted as are paid on private lands. The estimate, roughly made by the engineers of the drainage commission, is that there would be about 45,000 acres benefitted, but Mr. Ralph states that others tell him that the area benefitted would be much larger.

The proposed ditch would be from 90 to 100 feet in width at the top, with an average depth of 18 feet, and would be given a slope of one foot to the mile, which, Mr. Ralph states is all which it would stand without the banks washing.

The bottom of the ditch would be in blue clay, which would be a decided advantage in the matter of permanency, nearly eliminating the danger of washing.

The cut-off canal, if built, will be about seven miles in length and will start near Waldeck and will terminate at Pine Knoll. The entire valley of the Mississippi between these points is the bed of an extinct lake and in high water practically the entire lake bed is over-

flowed.

Mr. Ralph states that the engineering force of the drainage commission will be much larger this winter than ever before, the commission having ordered a survey of the Minnesota river from mouth to source to see what action can be taken to avoid the repetition of the floods which have devastated the valley of that river the past few years. The question of floods, he states, is getting to be a serious one.

With the clearing of the forests from the hillsides and the tiling of the lands in the valleys the water reaches the main streams so much more rapidly than when the country was in a wild state that something must be done to protect the low lands along the streams from damage. This, he says, must be by building dikes and reservoirs, the latter to hold the flood waters and then have them released in dry times as is now done on the upper Mississippi river.

Advertised Letters

The following advertised letters at the postoffice, Brainerd, Minn., Jan. 1, 1908. When called for say "advertised."

Bjork, Albert Parsons, Alfred Caron, J. E. Quinn, Thomas Elwiss, Mrs. Martha Rush, Ida E. Floyd, Miss Flossie Thompson, Annie Huttle, Mrs. Annie Warner, Frank Moor, Karl Wick, Ole N. H. INGERSOLL, P. M.

Auction 300 Horses

Grand opening auction Tuesday, Jan. 5th, 1908, commencing 10:30 at new sale pavilion at So. St. Paul Horse Exchange of loggers, farm horses, mares and horses of all kinds. If you want one or a car load attend this great sale. Every animal must sell to highest bidder. Nothing reserved. Union Stock Yards, So. St. Paul, Minn. Auction by Tuesday. Auctioneer, Baird. 1w

How's This?

We offer a hundred dollars reward for any of Cataract that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. R. J. Cheney & Co., Detroit, O. We the undersigned, have known him perfectly for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by his firm.

WALDING, KINNAN & MARVIN. Internally acting directly upon the blood and mucus surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75¢ per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Diles

We are so certain that Itching, Bleeding and Protruding Piles can always be relieved and absolutely cured by this ointment that we positively guarantee satisfaction or money refunded.

Dr. A. W. Chase's Ointment

DUNN, Druggist

CLASS REUNION

Members of the Class of 1903, Brainerd High School Held Pleasant Reunion Last Evening

The members of the class of 1903, Brainerd High School, held a very pleasant reunion Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl P. Brockway, Columbian block. At roll call ten members answered to their names six being unable to be there. Those present were Mabel O'Brien, Mabel Brown, Emma Edwards, vice president; Mrs. Stella Leach Roderick Mrs. Helen Brockway Smallwood, Mrs. Mayme Canan Brockway, secretary; Giles O'Brien, Evert Doran, treasurer. Those unable to attend were Pansy Sykes, Mae Eastman, Edith Smith, Mrs. Edith Anderson Amsbaugh, Edward Boyle, president and Wm. W. Barron. Communications were read from Mr. Boyle, Miss Edith Smith and Mrs. Amsbaugh.

Mr. Everett Doran read the account of the graduating exercises of the class from the columns of THE DISPATCH of June 3d, 1903. A pleasant hour was spent in reminiscences and music, after which refreshments were served. The idea of the class motto, "Hitch your Wagon to a Star," was carried out by a small wagon at each place, attached by ribbons of the class colors, cardinal and olive, to a star suspended above the center of the table. This is the first reunion the class has held since its graduation.

A tickling or dry cough can be quickly loosened with Dr. Shoop's Cough Remedy. No opium, no chloroform, nothing unsafe or harsh. Sold by H. P. Dunn. t t ff

Common Sense Methods Applied

THE DISPATCH is in receipt of the following communication from W. W. Vail, secretary of the State Dairy and Food Commission:

D. S. B. Johnston Land company, of this city, which owns over sixty thousand acres of cut-over land in Becker, Otter Tail and Hubbard counties, proposes to locate settlers on forty or eighty-acre tracts which they will sell at an average of less than \$15 per acre, and besides will advance to such as desire it five hundred dollars worth of lumber, with which to build a house. A settler that keeps six cows for a period of eight years will be given a rebate on his purchase-price of \$1.00 per acre.

This is an outline of their comprehensive plan of inducing settlers to enter upon the lands and become home and wealth-builders in the best sense.

We must also state that the company will grub the land for the settlers with powerful machines and do it at the actual cost of operation. In Otter Tail county a farmer a year or so ago sold nine hundred dollars worth of clover seed alone from his land, so that the field is a hopeful one for prospective husbandmen. This is the most sensible and practical step taken by any land company in Minnesota and will no doubt be the means of initiating the settlement of all cut-over lands in the state. Nothing could be of greater importance to our citizens and no doubt other companies will adopt the wise and practical methods this company which opens the way for any industrial man to get a start in life, and the more industrious and intelligent he is the better he will do. The men who become home-builders there under the conditions mentioned will be in ten years among the most prosperous in the great northwest, and why?

Because the land will produce bountiful crops of grains, grasses and red clover, and it is making that section a most inviting field for dairying, the great mortgage-lifter and home-builder. The other reason is that they will be tributary to the three great cities, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Duluth, which will furnish the best possible markets for all farm and dairy products. Duluth is the gateway to lake commerce and even today the great prosperous northwest is forwarding a tonnage through that city that is the wonder of the commercial world.

Good Warm Houses for Rent

1607—Pine, S. E. 5 Room—\$8.50 Electric lights. 615—4th Ave. N. E. 6 Room—\$10.

Meetings

There will be a series of meetings held in the German Evangelical church, 4th avenue and Forsythe streets N. E., beginning Jan. 3, 1909, and continuing through the week, services every evening at 7:30. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

D. GROENIG, Pastor.

Don't drug the Stomach, or stimulate the Heart or Kidneys. That is wrong. It is the weak nerves that are crying out for help. Vitalize these weak inside controlling nerves with Dr. Shoop's restorative and see how quickly good health will come to you again. Test it and see! Sold by H. P. Dunn. t t ff

A Snap—For Sale

My confectionery Tea & Coffee business. A good thing for a live man. Established 7 years. Reason for selling other interests.

J. A. STEPP, Brainerd, Minn.

NEW LINE OF

ATTRACTION

Parties Have Been Quietly Buying Up Land Along Now Magnetic Attraction

IS JUST WEST OF BRAINERD

Several Rumors as to Parties Behind Purchases—Many Owners Approached

All indications are that another valuable belt of iron lands have been discovered just west of Brainerd. According to reports a strong line of attraction has been found commencing in 134-28, just north of Brainerd, and running in a southwesterly direction to the mouth of the Crow Wing river, passing through towns 133-28, 133-29, 133-30 in this county and 133-30 in Cass county. That there were iron indications first became known through the efforts of some parties to purchase lands along that line. In fact, there is said to have been considerable land bought on that line, the negotiation having been made, it is said, through W. B. Jones, of Sylvan, one of the board of county commissioners of Cass county.

There are two or three rumors as to the identity of the parties putting up the money for the purchases, one report being that it is the Northwestern Improvement Co., the holding corporation of the Northern Pacific Railway company. Another report has it that Mr. Peacock, who is one of the heavy

owners of the Shenango Furnace and Iron Co., is the real power behind the throne.

Be that as it may, several deals have been made and other owners of tracts on that side of the river have been approached. Iron men are very reticent in the matter, one stating that it was simply a long shot, so to speak.

The buyers were taking long chances, but thought it worth while if the land could be purchased for about agricultural land prices. Another well posed man admitted that there was a slight line of attraction, but doubted that there would be ore discovered. The discovery of ore close to Brainerd on the west would mean much to this city as it would mark it the center of the industry of the county. Developments along that line are being watched closely.

Marked for Death

"Three years ago I was marked for death. A grave-yard cough was tearing my lungs to pieces. Doctors failed to help me, and hope had fled, when my husband got Dr. King's New Discovery," says Mrs. A. C. Williams, of Bak, Ky. "The first dose helped me and improvement kept on until I had gained 58 pounds in weight and my health was fully restored." This medicine holds the world's healing record for coughs and colds and lung and throat diseases. It prevents pneumonia. Sold under guarantee at Dunn's drug store. 50¢ and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES

The out of door races announced for New Years day have been called off.

The orchestra held a business meeting at their practice last night and elected Carl Anderson financial manager. The boys have made fine progress since their organization and are down for their numbers on the program tomorrow night instead of one, as announced.

The association management wish it thoroughly understood that all are invited to come to the entertainment tomorrow night. It is desired that every person who possibly can shall come and inspect the building and see the good work the association is doing.

The building will be closed from 12 to 2 on New Years day in order that the general secretary and janitor may have a chance to enjoy their New Years dinner.

This is Worth Reading

Leo F. Zelinski, of 68 Gibson St., Buffalo, N. Y., says: "I cured myself of the most annoying cold sore I ever had, with Bucklen's Arnica Salve. I applied this salve once a day for two days, when every trace of the sore was gone." Heals all sores. Sold under guarantee at Dunn's drug store. 25¢ t t ff

How to Reduce Fat
The Simplest and Surest Way to get Rid of Fats Without Drugs

How to Prove it to Yourself Free.

There has become known a remedy for fat, the use of which has already resulted in enormous benefit, and most probably in the saving of many lives.

This remedy is commonly called Rengo. The rate at which this remedy will reduce fat, and do it harmlessly and safely, is unbelievable. A pound a day is ordinarily the loss recorded, being done by compelling the perfect assimilation of the food and sending the nutrient where it belongs.

The most remarkable feature of Rengo is that you can take all you want of it without running the slightest risk of harm. It can be chewed like candy and is pleasant to the taste. Those who have been at a loss to know how to cure obesity, are now prescribing Rengo with remarkable success. It is a great nerve-strength producer, affecting digestion primarily and inducing a general exhilaration of mind and body. Wrinkles, which appear in nearly every case of reduction of fat, where injurious drugs and stimulants are tried, does not occur when Rengo is used.

There is nothing "just as good" as Rengo. For sale by all druggists at \$1.00 per full sized box, or by mail prepared by the Rengo Co., 3151 Rengo Bldg., Detroit, Mich. The company will gladly send you a trial package free by mail if you write them direct to Detroit; no free packages at drug stores.

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Happy New Year

We swing into 1909 with a determination to discount the past at every point, and keep this

The Best Clothing, Hat and Toggery Store in the City

May the recollections of the dying year live as a pleasant memory of a time that's gone, and sorrow—may it be buried by the goodness and the joy which the New Year has in store for you.

... HAPPY NEW YEAR ...

Bye & Peterson
CLOTHIERS AND GENTS
CLOTHING & FURNISHINGS

Ladies' Musical Club

Next Monday evening, January 3d, 1909, the Ladies' Musical Club will have another of their delightful open meetings at the First Congregational church. This club treat will be both instrumental and vocal, as Miss Dorothy Humes, of Minneapolis, who gives the recital, possesses not only instrumental talent but a sweet voice as well, and has consented to give a few vocal selections. Miss Humes while a young pianist has had excellent musical advantages and our best musical critics feel that our club is fortunate in having her at this time. Members will be admitted on their tickets, with the privilege of inviting one guest free and additional guests at 25 cents each. The club will be pleased to have any person, not a member or member's guest, attend, for which a fee of 25 cents will be charged.

Pains of women, head pains, or any pain, stopped in 20 minutes sure, with Dr. Shoop's Pink Pain Tablets. See full formula on 25c box. Sold by H. P. Dunn. t t ff

NORTH LONG LAKE

School will open January 4, after having had a ten days vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Thompson spent Christmas with Mrs. Thompson's parents in Daggett Brook.

Wm. Gibb came up from Minneapolis to spend Christmas with his parents.

Some of the farmers have been hauling rock to build a corduroy on the section line between 10 and 11.

L. P. White of Brainerd, spent Christmas at Hughey's.

Wm. Johnston came home from Two Harbors to spend the holidays with his family.

The Christmas program given by the school the evening of the 23d was enjoyed by all present and showed that the teacher and scholars had worked hard in preparing it.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Peterson of Bay Lake town, spent Christmas with Mrs. Peterson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Hughey.

The soap club will meet at Mrs. H. C. Hughey's Wednesday, Jan. 6th.

Several of the neighbor boys spent Monday evening at Hughey's.

Dunk Thompson made a business trip to Maple Grove town Monday.

A Happy New Year to all.

COUNTRY COUSIN.

Are You Looking for a Pudding?

Most people are, and D-Zerta Quick Pudding is the only quick dessert that delights and satisfies every housekeeper and the entire family. Every package guaranteed under the Pure Food Laws. Try a package of D-Zerta Pudding today from your grocer and you will buy often and tell your friends. Various flavors at all grocers, 10c. Order to-day.

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DR. A. W. CHASE'S CATARRH POWDER 25c.
Is sent direct to the diseased parts by the Improved Blower. Heals the ulcers, clears the air passages, stops droppings in the throat and permanently cures Cataract and Hay Fever. No harmful drugs. 25c. blower free; all dealers or Dr. A. W. Chase Medicine Co., Buffalo, N.Y.

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A pure, fine-flavored syrup that makes the finest kind of candy.

In 10c, 25c, and 50c tins at all grocers

A book of cooking and candy-making recipes sent free on request.

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LOCAL NEWS NOTES

(Continued from 2nd page)

E. K. Parks and Miss Ima Parks left this afternoon for St. Paul, after visiting relatives and friends here for a few days. He goes from there to Spokane, where he now resides.

Your son and daughter ought each to have a saving account with the Security. Better start them at this bank before the holidays.

J. C. Wood and A. D. Ward, of St. Paul, returned today from the former's bungalow at Crooked lake, where they have been spending a few days. They left this afternoon for their home.

The Bissell carpet sweeper makes a nice present for mother. See them at Slipp-Gruenhenzen Co's. 165tf

Wm. McGinnis came up from Minneapolis yesterday to visit friends in Brainerd until the first of the week. Will is now a student of the University of Minnesota, and is taking the civil engineering course.

The closing out sale of C. N. Sonnensyn & Co., successors to the Brainerd Lumber & Mercantile Co., is still in progress, and great bargains are 154tf

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KAUFMANN GETS DECISION

Wins Tame and Uninteresting Fight With Barry.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 31.—Al Kaufmann was awarded the decision over Jim Barry in the thirty-ninth round of a forty-five round go before the Jefries Athletic club. It was a tame and uninteresting bout throughout Barry's seconds threw up the sponge at the end of the thirty-ninth round. Barry's manager claimed that Barry's hands were broken.

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Aged Veteran Freezes to Death.

Minneapolis, Dec. 31.—Frozen to death under the very windows of the hospital from which he escaped during a delirious condition, was the fate of Peter Wagner, eighty-two years old, an inmate of the soldiers' home at Minnehaha Falls. The aged veteran was found dead in an enclosure twenty feet from the hospital.

ASSUMES OFFICIAL FORM

Work of Organizing Relief for Victims of Italian Earthquake.

New York, Dec. 31.—The work of organizing relief for the victims of the Italian earthquake, which was begun here almost simultaneously with the receipt of the first news of the disaster, assumed official form with the issuance by the mayor of a proclamation calling upon the people of the city for subscriptions for the relief of the sufferers. Mayor McClellan will act in conjunction with the American Red Cross society, forwarding all subscriptions to Jacob H. Schiff, treasurer of the New York branch of the society at the homes of their parents.

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Preventives—those Candy Cold Cure Tablets—will safely and quickly check all colds and the Grip. Try them once and see! 48-25c. Sold by H. P. Dunn. t

BURTON AND TAFT CONFER

Discuss the Senatorial Situation in Ohio.

AGREEMENT ON SENATORSHIP

Leading Candidates for Foraker's Seat

In the Upper House of Congress Believed to Have Settled Their Differences and That Burton Will Secure the Prize—Taft to Be a Candidate Two Years Hence.

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When a young man opens a savings account with the Security bank, he may have just reached the turning point of his career. In any event, the account is likely to make him more manly, more independent, more self-reliant.

The hearing in the condemnation proceedings of the Minnesota Water Works Co. was continued yesterday at the request of the city attorney and the special city attorney who are busily engaged in court work. The hearing was set for January 19.

C. B. Rowley returned today from Bemidji, having completed the building for the Northern Grocery Co. Mr. Rowley has been very fortunate in the work on the building, having had much warmer weather than he had any reason to hope for, and feels correspondingly elated.

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WILLIAM L. MATHIUS DEAD

Former Pennsylvania Official Had Been Convicted of Offense.

Media, Pa., Dec. 31.—William L. Mathiis, former state treasurer of Pennsylvania, died suddenly at his home here, aged forty-six years. The cause of death was given by his physician as pneumonia, but it is generally believed that this illness was superinduced by Mr. Mathiis' tribulations, which were brought upon him by the Harrisburg capitol graft cases and his recent sentence of two years in the penitentiary for his part in the alleged conspiracy against the state.

For many years William L. Mathiis was recognized as one of the political leaders of Pennsylvania and his power in Delaware county politics was supreme until the expose of the capital frauds by his successor as state treasurer, W. H. Berry.

In March of the present year former State Treasurer Mathiis, former Auditor General Snyder, James M. Shumaker, former superintendent of public grounds and buildings, and Contractor John H. Sanderson were convicted of conspiracy in defrauding the state out of \$119,308 in a contract for wooden furniture.

Each was sentenced to pay \$500

fine and the costs of prosecution and

undergo imprisonment for two years

and separate and solitary confinement in the Eastern penitentiary.

Killed in a Fight.

Crystal Falls, Mich., Dec. 31.—In a

fierce free-for-all fight at Mansfield, seven miles from Crystal Falls, Andrew J. Brown, a shift boss at the Holister mine, was clubbed to death.

What Ails You?

Do you feel weak, tired, despondent, have frequent headaches, coated tongue bitter or bad taste in morning, "heartburn," belching of gas, acid risings in throat after eating, stomach gnaw or burn, foul breath, dizzy spells, poor or variable appetite, nausea at times and kindred symptoms?

If you have any considerable number of the above symptoms you are suffering from biliousness, torpid liver with indigestion, or dyspepsia. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is made up of the most valuable medicinal principles known in medical science for the permanent cure of such abnormal conditions. It is a most efficient liver invigorator, stomach tonic, bowel regulator and nerve strengthener.

The "Golden Medical Discovery" is not a patent medicine or secret nostrum, a full list of its ingredients being printed on its bottle-wrapper and attested under oath. A glance at its formula will show that it contains no alcohol, or harmful habit-forming drugs. It is a fluid extract made with pure, triple-refined glycerine, of proper strength, from the roots of the following native American forest plants, viz., Golden Seal root, Stone root, Black Cherry bark, Queen's root, Bloodroot, and Mandrake root.

The following leading medical authorities among a host of others, extol the foregoing among the most valuable and important as the above symptoms indicate: Prof. R. B. Bartram, M. D., of Jefferson Med. College, Phila.; Prof. H. C. Wood, M. D., of Univ. of Pa.; Prof. Edwin M. Hale, M. D., of Hahnemann Med. College, Chicago; Prof. John King, M. D., Author of "King's American Medical Dictionary"; Prof. John Johnson, M. D., Med. Dept. Univ. of N. Y.; Prof. Finley Ellingwood, M. D., Author of "Materia Medica and Prof. Bennett Medical College, Chicago"; Send name and address to Dr. R. E. Pierce, Piercy, N. Y., and receive free booklet giving extracts from writings of all the above medical authors and many other endorsing, in the strongest possible terms, each and every ingredient of which "Golden Medical Discovery" is composed.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets regulate and invigorate stomach, liver and bowels. They may be used in conjunction with "Golden Medical Discovery" if bowels are much constipated. They're tiny and sugar-coated.

EXPECTED TO REACH FIFTY

Death List From Explosion in a West Virginia Mine.

Bluefield, W. Va., Dec. 31.—The work of exploring the Lick Branch colliery, in which a disastrous explosion occurred Tuesday, still continues, and a total of twenty-seven dead have been recovered. It is estimated that the death list will reach fifty. The cause of death in most of the cases was asphyxiation from after-damp and smoke caused by the explosion, although the force of the blast was terrific. Mine cars shattered to splinters and other debris was blown out of the entrance and 100 feet away from the mine mouth into the open.

In a large building near the mines a temporary morgue has been established. There are many pitiful scenes about the little village and watchers sit by the coffins of three in one home and in three other homes there are two waiting for interment. The explosion occurred in a mine that was looked upon as a model colliery.

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